RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) There was no such Bill as the Panchayat Bill. If what the member means is the Travancore Village Panchayat Bill, it was passed by the Legislative Council on the 2nd Kumbham 1110.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Eight.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): In the answer to part (*a*) I find that the Travancore Village Panchayat Bill was passed on the 2nd Kumbham 1110. I think it is a mistake for 1100. Am I right?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) Yes, that is a misprint for 1100.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know, if Government are so fastidious about the name of the Regulation, why not they be fastidious in the printing and corrections also?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I am sorry the error escaped the notice of the proof reader. Government will hereafter try to be fastidious in regard to the printing also.

Ezhava applicants for Sirkar Vakil's place.

43. ***MR. K. M. KRISHNAN** (*Ambalapuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of Ezhava applicants for Sirkar Vakil's place till now (19-9-1109); and

(*b*) how their applications were dealt with?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Seven.

(*b*) Their claims were duly considered in filling up vacancies.

Medical Officer in charge of the Kalavoor dispensary.

44. ***MR. K. M. KRISHNAN** (*Ambalapuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Government are aware of the fact (i) that the Doctor in charge of the Kalavoor dispensary, if he is a Christian, is also in charge of the Leper Asylum at Alleppey, and (ii) that he is paid a remuneration of Rs. 35 a month for his service in the asylum and

(*b*) who was in charge of the dispensary when the present Darbar Physician visited it last, a Christian or a non-Christian?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): (*a*) (i) Yes.

(ii) Yes.

(*b*) Christian.

MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): May I know if the Doctor in charge of the dispensary is a non-Christian he will also be given the privilege of having the charge of the Leper Asylum?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): I do not think the situation has arisen so far.

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MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): May I know if he is a non-Christian, he will be paid an allowance for the charge of the Leper Asylum?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): I have to repeat the same answer.

MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): I find from the answer if he is a Christian Doctor he is given an allowance. If a non-Christian is placed in that position, I want to know whether he will be given the same treatment?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): The situation has not arisen so far.

Accommodation in the V M. School Building, Mararikkulam.

45. *MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that the Mararikkulam new V. M. School is wanting in sufficient accommodation for the students studying therein;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether they have issued any orders for the extension of the present school building or for the construction of a new building; and

(*c*) if so, whether any steps have been taken in connection with that?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) and (*c*) Yes the Government sanctioned the construction of an additional building for the use of the school at an estimated cost of Rs. 5,850 and provided the necessary funds for the purpose during the year 1108. But owing to a mistake in the name of the school in the premises of which the building was to be erected, the work had to be deferred and the sanctioned fund utilised for other purposes.

The question of additional accommodation for the school can be taken up only after the future of the Vernacular Middle Schools, which is under investigation, is settled.

MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): May I know whether any temporary arrangement has been made till the extension of the building is completed for the accommodation of the school?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): A temporary shed was put up. But I am afraid, at this moment, it is in very good state of repairs and I cannot say that the present accommodation is anything like quite satisfactory or sufficient.

MR. K. R ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know whether there were two schools of the same name?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): The position was this. There were two schools of the same name, both Vernacular Primary Schools. The Education Department asked the P. W. Department to prepare an estimate for additional accommodation for one of the schools. The Public Works Department unfortunately, I do not know whether it was due to my department's fault or theirs

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